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Classified by DCM Susan L. Ziadeh for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Pol/Econ Chief May 21 delivered reftel demarche concerning the Hague Code of Conduct Against Ballistic Missile Proliferation to MFA Director for International Organization Affairs Ghassan Shaikho. Shaikho said he would discuss subscribing to the HCOC with contacts at the Bahrain Defense Force. He understood the U.S. interest in promoting the HCOC in the context of other non-proliferation initiatives including the Proliferation Security Initiative and the Chemical Weapons Convention Host Country Agreement. He also said he would research Bahrain's vote in the December 8, 2005 UNGA resolution on the Code.

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